

Chairpersons of the  
Appropriations Committee Senator Osten, Senator Formica,  
Representative Walker and Committee Members

Early detection of learning disabilities is the best way for the state to save money in future budgets. This is just one of the many services provided by the hard working people at the PFRN. So many children and families have benefited from this program in ways that has saved the state dollars going forward. We cannot afford to make massive cuts to this arm of the education system! Much scientific study has proven that early learning has far reaching and tangible effects on the outcome of success for children.

Hundreds of parents, myself included, have benefited from programs like Conscious Discipline and Parents as Teachers, thus saving the state future funds and saving families from future disastrous outcomes.

As a taxpayer I do believe that the state needs to cut back, please find another area to do this. This program is far too important to the children and families it serves.

Sincerely,

David Coughlin  
40 Maple Street  
Plainville, CT 06062